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TRI-ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY IS APPROACHING.

Meeting of Commissioners and Assessors to be Held in Greensburg Tomorrow to Discuss Equalization.

All over the country there seems to be a general wail for a correction in the methods of assessing property values for taxation. The cry is "equalization" and it is hoped that at the approaching tri-annual assessment that a proper adjustment of the matter will take place in Westmoreland county. The commissioners have issued a call for a meeting of the assessors in Greensburg tomorrow at which time and place advice will be give as to where corrections shall be made which will lead to an equalization of valuation.

This year the Monessen council will take an active interest in having a just and equal assessment made and should the commissioners interfere and reduce valuations of certain corporations in exchange for political or personal favors there will be trouble. Heretofore too many special favors have been shown.

People here are crying for improvements and at nearly every council meeting the table is flooded with petitions for improvements, and complaints on account of existing defects of the city's sewers and sanitary conditions and council has no funds with which to proceed with the work. At the present time property holders have petitioned for over $50,000 worth of street paving and have agreed to pay two-thirds of the expense, but the borough is too poverty stricken to put up the remaining third. The time is now ripe for an equalization and let us have it. With a view to help in making an equitable appraisement the Washington county commissioners are preparing a list of sales which have been made the past three years with which to aid in the placing of values. In speaking of the tri-annual assessment the the Wilkes-Barre Record says:

"If the assessors' lists were spread before all the people, so that all property owners could make a general comparison of valuations, and the small property owner could see at a glance what the extensive property holder who is supposed to have a 'pull' is paying, there is no doubt that if there are inequalities and glaring favoritism there would be a united protest and a demand for equalization—such a demand as could not be ignored. Then if the whole community instead of a few citizens were informed of the assessment conditions that are supposed to exist the chances are that in a short the property assessed taxpayers would not pay the taxes that the favored property owner should pay. All that is needed to raise the issue and arouse the taxpayers who contribute their just share to the support of the government is a general publication of the inequalities.

Sued Telephone Co.

Miss Ella F. Hayden of Cannonsburg, a telephone operator, formerly in the employ of the C. D. & P. T. Company, to-day entered suit against the concern for $25,000 damages.

While engaged as an operator at the Cannonsburg exchange about two years ago Miss Hayden claims to have been seriously injured by an electric shock caused by the telephone wires being crossed by a high power electric wire. She states as a result of this injury the sight of one eye has been destroyed and that of the other permanently injured.

Kirk Says—

"A Lemon Sour with shaved ice is the best thirst killer."

Grand Boat Excursion.

The Monongahela Italian band and the Charleroi Italian band together have chartered the steamer Beauty for Sunday Aug. 19th. The two bands jointly will run an excursion from Brownsville to Kennywood park, stopping at the park four hours. Fare for the round trip will be 50 cents, children free. Both bands will give concerts on the boat and at the park. A first class Italian Orchestra will be furnished on the boat. 38-11t

Lost—Gould maple leaf pin, diamond diamond center. Reward given if returned to Independent officer. 45-tf

INTERESTING NEWS

Gathered by Our Reporters in Monessen and Vicinity.

Editor Schuck of the News went to West Newton today.

Dr. Barben, Dentist—Good crown and bridge work, a specialty.

A. N. McGowan is spending a few days at his home near Brownsville.

Kirk's Carnation Cream. A beauty maker, A beauty preserver, 25c a bottle.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Litzinger were visiting with friends in Charleroi yesterday.

Kirk's Special a guaranteed Tooth Brush at 25c. If the bristles drop out we will give you a new brush free.

Miss Florence Crouch and Mr. John Crouch, of Centreville, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Sibbett.

Razors: Up and down, up to $3.00 and down to $1.25. Bison Brand. Razor Strops. Light's Drug Store.

McKean Commandry Knights Templar of Charleroi held an outing this afternoon at Eldora Park. About twenty-five members from this city were present.

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Arch Deacon L. F. Cole of the Protestant Episcopal church, will conduct services for that denomination next Sunday afternoon in Opera House Hall at 4 o'clock.

We noticed a few sad looking folks on the street this other day, but never saw them at our fountain. Thatcher's Drug Store 550 Donner avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Jones and family, and Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Cramer left last night on the packet for Morgantown, W. Va., where they will spend about a week with friends.

Yes our business is growing, but we might do a great deal more. Can we count on you? Thatcher's Drug Store 550 Donner avenue

The dance given at Eldora park Tuesday evening, by the Holly Club, of Monessen, was a delightful affair, and all who attended gave expressions of having a most delightful time. — Monongahela Times.

SQUIRE WATKINS BUSY MAN.

Several cases were heard in Squire Watkins court last night and others are still pending. George Lunesk hit a Jew peddler by the name of Elias Kazzoman, on the jaw a few days ago and knocked him down. Kazzoman then brought suit for assault and battery and the former was fined $2.00 and costs.

John Stonage has brought suit against Joe Simons for the same charge and Simons has brought a counter charge against Stonage for assaulting his wife. Both cases will be tried tonight.

Martin Joan has brought suit against Joe and Guina Darnies for assault on Mary Jean, Jr., and Mary Jean, Sr., and the case will be tried this evening.

He Plead Guilty.

Harry McCurdy a well known dead beat has at last been brought to justice and is now at the mercy of the court. He skipped Monessen leaving behind a good sized board bill. Suit was brought before Squire Watkins and the man was run in but denied the charge and was bound over to court. This morning Mr. Watkins was informed by District Attorney Cunningham that a plea of guilty had been entered and sentence will be given at the August term of court.

The court has no mercy for those who try to beat creditors and McCurdy will likely get a salty dose.

BERLIN WON IN TWELVE INNINGS

Locals Went to Pieces in Final Round and Somerset Champions Bagged Great Game.

Berlin, the Somerset County Champions, won an interesting game from the Locals yesterday by the score of 4 to 1. The battle lasted twelve innings and until the last inning was purely a test of skill between Lavery and Cox. Both pitched an excellent game and in the main were given good support. In the twelfth with the score 1 to 1 the locals went up in the air and the visitors scored three times on one hit and three errors. In all Berlin got but four hits off Lavery but they were quick to take advantage of any little misplay on the part of the locals.

Berlin opened things up in the fifth when Dougherty got to second on an error, Fogel sacrificed him to third and he scored a moment later on Sixsmiths fly to O'Neal. Sweeney struck out ending the inning. It looked like a score for Monessen in their half when Vaughn, the first man up tore off a two bagger but he failed to complete the circuit Garland flied to Short, Blumling went out to Short and Haywood flied to right

In the seventh Cratty the first up cracked out a three sacker but again the next three batsmen went out in order and there was nothing doing. When the locals went to bat in the eight, after having blanked the visitors, it was with the feeling that something must be done. After Blumling had went out to Short, Haywood singled and stole second. He scored a moment later on Lavery's double. Here the Somerset Champions proved that they were right up to the handle when it came to kicking. They claimed Lavery had cut first. Whether this was true or not the umpire had not seen the play and after a long argument, play was finally resumed.

There was nothing further doing however as Guzzio sacrificed Lavery to third where he died, O'Brien ending things by going out to Sixsmith. There was no more scoring until the fatal twelfth. In the tenth both twirlers put on steam and the batsmen retired in one-two-three order. Monessen was again retired in order in the last inning and the great game was over. The score:

Floto m,	0	1	2	0	0
Quinn, 1,	0	0	1	0	0
Conners, 2,	0	0	1	3	0
Fetchter, 3,	0	0	0	4	0
Dough'ty, r,	2	1	1	0	0
Fogel, c,	0	0	6	2	0
Sixsmith, l,	0	0	19	0	0
Sweeney, s,	1	1	2	2	0
Andrews, 1,	1	0	3	0	0
Cox, p,	0	1	1	4	0
Totals	4	4	36	15	0

Monessen	R	H.	P.	A	E.
Guzzie, 2,	0	0	1	4	0
O'Brien, s,	0	1	1	3	2
Cratty, l,	0	2	15	1	0
O'Neil r,	0	0	0	0	0
Vaughn, 1,	0	3	2	0	1
Garland, c,	0	0	12	2	2
Blum'g m,	0	0	1	0	1
Haywood, 3,	1	1	2	4	1
Lavery, p,	0	1	2	2	0
Totals	1	8	36	16	5

Berlin	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
Monessen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

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ROD WENT THROUGH FOOT.

Page Employe Painfully Although Not Seriously Injured While at Work This Morning.

William Bluel employed at the Page Fence Co.'s, Plant met with a painful accident while at work about 10 o'clock this morning which will result in his being laid up for several days. Bluel who resides at Donora is employed in the Rod Mill department. In some manner while discharging his duties this morning one of his feet was caught by a red hot rod which, passed entirely through that member. Luckily it missed the bone, but the flesh was badly torn and burned by the hot iron.

The man was taken to the Union Hotel and a physician summoned. The injured foot was attended to and Bluel was taken to his home at Donora on the 11.14 train. It will be several weeks before he will be able to be about again although unless complications arise no serious results are anticipated.

Ptomaines.

Ptomaines, according to Quain, are alkaloids produced by the decomposition of animal substances. The word ptomaine was at first restricted to alkaloids produced by cadaveric decomposition, but it is now also employed to designate alkaloids of animal origin formed during life as a result of chemical changes induced by some agency or other acting within the organism.

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SKATING RINK WILL SOON BE READY FOR BUSINESS.

Fifteen Bricklayers and the Same Number of Carpenters Rushing Building to Early Completion.

Kirsch Bros. the active contractors who are building Monessen's new skating rink are certainly pushing the work with remarkable rapidity. Regardless of the extremely wet weather which greatly hindered the work for many days the new building is beginning to assume an air of a real modern structure, and when completed will not only help grace Schoonmaker avenue but will be a credit to the town. About fifteen bricklayers are at work and almost the same number of carpenters and by to-morrow fully ten or twelve more men will be added.

Contractor Kirsch stated this morning that if the weather is favorable six or seven days more will finish the brickwork and put the building in shape for the roof. The front wall is now about eleven feet high and will only be fifteen when completed. The stone masons will finish by tomorrow noon.

The Monessen Plumbing Company has the contract for the plumbing and is following closely with their part of the work. It is expected that the building will be completed and ready for impressive ceremonies by Sept. 15.

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WEBSTER NOTES.

Dad Brickers parlor circus gave a performance here last evening. A fair sized crowd attended.

About six local members of the Knights of Malta paid a visit to the Charleroi Lodge last evening.

W. F. Johnson, night operator at the North Webster tower, was in Pittsburg yesterday on business.

On Saturday afternoon the Firm team of Webster will play a game of ball with the strong Gibsonton aggregation. The locals realize that they are going against a strong proposition, but will try hard to put the cleaner on the Gibsontonians. Everyone turn out and see the game. The boys promise the best they have in the ball tossing line.

Walter Craft has resigned his position position as meat cutter at the Equitable Company store, to accept a better one at his home near Brownsville.

Dr. J. P. Frye was a passenger on the 10:10 train to Monessen.

Henry Lange, proprietor of the Lange Hotel was in Monessen to-day on business.

Wm. Bainbridge spent Sunday with his parents at Irwin.

Misses Fannie and Kate Lange were visiting friends in Belle Vernon over Sunday.

A hay wagon load of the local members Sons of Temperance drove to Sutersville Monday evening, where they visited the lodge at that place.

F. L. Richards operator at the U. X. tower, returned yesterday from Pittsburg, where he attended the funeral of his wife's father.

Samuel Sharrah spent part of Sunday with friends at Monongahela.

Frank Brown, our well known grocer, is spending a week with friends at Monongahela.

Miss Eva McDonald, head clerk at the Pittsburg Coal Company's office, is unable to attend to her duties on account of illness.

James Conroy, our genial tonsorial artist, has gone to Mt. Clemins, Mich., where he will remain a week.

Mrs. Wm. Fitch returned yesterday from Roscoe where she spent the past several days the guest of her father.

WASHINGTON AS A FIREMAN.

He Was a Member of the Friendship Fire Company.

George Washington was a member of the Friendship Fire company, organized in 1774 in his home, Alexandria. At first the company consisted of citizens who, out of "mutual friendship," agreed to carry to every fire "two leathern buckets and one great bag of osnaburg or wider linnen." Washington was made an honorary member, and when he went as a delegate to the congress of 1774 at Philadelphia he examined the fire engines in use there. On his return to Philadelphia to the Continental congress in 1775 he bought from a man named Gibbs a small fourth class engine for the sum of £80 10s., and just before he set out for Boston Heights to become commander in chief he dispatched this little engine to the Friendship company.

During his younger days he always attended fires in Alexandria and helped to extinguish them. In the last year of his life a fire occurred near the market. He was riding down King street at the time, followed by his servant, who was also on horseback. Washington saw that the Friendship engine was insufficiently manned, and, riding up to a group of well dressed gentlemen standing near the scene of action, he called out authoritatively:

"Why are you idle there, gentlemen? It is your business to lead in these matters."

After which he leaped off his horse, and, seizing the brakes, was followed by a crowd that gave the engine such a shaking up as it had not had for many a day.

A Popular Welsh Drink.

All the Welsh counties swear by a drink called sowbeer. It is made from fourteen different field herbs, is harmless, except for its sleepy effects, and resembles treacle more than anything. The Welsh villagers always smoke a thin cigarette of dried sage when they drink sowbeer. The stuff is too complicated a mixture for the villagers to brew, but in all the larger towns there are dealers who make it.—London Telegraph.

Deceiving.

Minister—I'm sorry to find you coming out of a public house again, Hamish, after all you promised me. Hamish—Aye, sir, it's wonnerful what an awfu' deceivin' thing this must is. D'ye ken, I went in there the noo thinkin' 'twas the butcher's shop.—London Tit-Bits.

Leaves seem light, useless, idle, wavering and changeable they even dance. Yet God has made them part of the oak.—Taleb Hunt

TIPS AND TIPPING.

The Customary Exactions on Board the Atlantic Liners.

Do not take fright at what you may hear about excessive tips on steamers and in Europe. They are numerous, but need not be large. To scatter your money wildly in tips will mark you as a novice. All the servants will quickly spot you, pass the word around and fleece you. Tips vary, of course, in accordance with the grade of steamers, hotels and other accommodations. If you travel in a specially equipped floating palace you must expect to pay at least $25 for steamer tips. On regular first class steamers, however, the following are customary and will be ample: Stateroom steward, $2.50; state room stewardess, $2.50; dining room steward, $2.50. These are obligatory. On the cheaper first class steamers they may be reduced to $1 each and be entirely dignified. It all depends on the boat. By talking with other passengers you can readily learn the customary scale for your steamer. If you use the bathroom regularly, pay the bathroom steward $1; if less frequently this might be cut to 25 cents a bath. If you read books from the library, give the steward a tip varying from $1 down to 25 cents, according to grade of steamer and frequency of his service to you.

The deck steward's gratuity is a variable quantity; he has opportunity for getting tips from so many people that he fares better than inside stewards, who are restricted to a certain number; hence do not be uneasy about him. Give him what you think he has earned in waiting on you, according to relative service with the other stewards. A dollar is the maximum expected on ordinary boats.

Thus your total tips need not exceed $10 a voyage and may not be more than $5. Be reasonable in what you require of stewards, and if you should ask special service of them outside the line of their regular duties, pay them for it.—Myra Emmons in Good Housekeeping.

EARTH'S LATENT POWER.

All Solid Substance May Vanish in a Moment of Time.

The late Professor S. P. Langley, secretary of the Smithsonian institution, speaking of earthquakes, said:

"The consideration of the unfamiliar powers certainly latent in nature, such as belong to a little tremor of the planet's surface or such as was shown in that scene I have described," referring to phenomena he had witnessed when the comparatively insignificant effect of a few tons of dynamite was to make solid buildings unrealities, "may help us to understand that the words of the great poet are but the possible expression of a physical fact; that 'the cloud capped towers, the gorgeous palaces, the solemn temples, and we with them, may indeed some day inconceivably vanish as the airy nothing at the touch of Prospero's wand, and without the warning to us of a single instant that the security of our ordinary lives is about to be broken.'

"We concede this, however, in the present case only as an abstract possibility, for the advance of astronomical knowledge is much more likely to show that the kernel of the comet is but the pigmess of some large meteorite against which our air is an efficient shield, and the chance of evil is most remote—in any case only such as may come in any hour of our lives from any quarter, not alone from the earthquake, but from the pestilence that walketh in darkness from the infinitely little below and within us as well as from the infinite powers of the universe without.

"Something common to man and the brute speaks at such times, if never before or again; something which is not altogether physical apprehension, but more like the moral dismay when the shock of an earthquake is felt for the first time, and we know that startling doubt superior to reason whether the valid frame of earth is real, and not 'baseless as the fabric of a vision.'"—Washington Star.

The Oldest House in Louisiana.

The oldest building in Louisiana, the ancient archbishopric on Chartres street, New Orleans, boasts of one of the handsomest courtyards. The building was erected in 1727 and remains exactly as it was first erected. Visitors will remark the ancient staircase of cypress, worn by the passing of generations. In the courtyard is seen one of the oldest and best preserved specimens of the "Spanish dagger." It dates back, so those who claim to know aver, to the building of the palace, and indeed its height and dignity indicate anything but youth.—Craftsman.

Impertinent.

Originally the word "impertinent" signified merely "not belonging to." When Wycliffe said that there were many men in this world who were "impertinent to earthly lords" he did not mean that they were "cheeky," but merely that they had no masters. Then, as used by Shakespeare, "impertinent" came to mean "irrelevant." Just 200 years ago it was defined as signifying "absurd, silly, idle."

Indefinite.

"Darling, yours shall be a sunny lot in life."

"Now, look here, George, are you talking of your behavior or of where we are going to build in the suburbs?"—Baltimore American.

The Only One In His Class.

Mrs. Goffrox—I don't send Reggie to a public school because he is so unlike other boys. He has a private tutor of his own. Mr. Blunt I see. Your boy is, as you might say, in a class by himself.—New York Herald.

A Puzzling Signature

[Original.]

The following note is plain enough since I have deciphered it, but in the original it looks as though a fly had escaped from an ink bottle and dragged itself across the paper:

Come up tonight. I have something to tell you. Don't fail. That which has appeared crooked I will make straight.

Unfortunately there was one thing about the note that I could not decipher that was the signature. It looked more like E. W. Mallve or Maline than anything else, but it might be almost any name. The handwriting was masculine, so I might infer that my correspondent was a man. But he might be a man or an orang outang or a Hottentot, either of whom could have written as good a hand. I thought over every man I knew whose conduct toward me had appeared in any way crooked, but I could think of no one except Ned Nolan, whose initials were E. V.

It was as possible to twist E. V. Nolan out of the scrawl as anything else. Why he should expect me to come and see him I couldn't imagine. He had owed me $10 borrowed money for six months, and I saw nothing to make anything straight about it except by paying up.

I finally settled down to the opinion that this was the explanation and dismissed the matter from my mind. I certainly had no intention to hunt up Nolan and took no notice of his note. In about a week I received another puzzle in the same handwriting and with the same signature. It read:

I have no answer to mine of last week. I suppose you blame me. I write this to make sure you have received my note.

This came by messenger, and I replied by the person who brought it. Neither of the notes I received gave any location. They simply gave the date. This was my reply:

What you owe me is a trifle, but I should suppose your self respect would have prompted you to make "the crooked straight" long ago.

I wrote this on a slip of paper, folded it once and was about to address it when I thought it wasn't worth while to address a line written on a scrap, so I gave it to the messenger as it was.

This was about the time the Spanish-American war broke out, and, being a lieutenant in the national guard, I went to Cuba. When I came back to Montauk Point, between wounds and fevers there wasn't much left of me. A number of nurses came down to help us along, some of them patriotic young ladies who served without compensation. One day, awaking from a sleep, I saw standing at the foot of my camp cot the only girl I had ever loved.

Pity was in her eye and doubtless in her heart, though she had refused me a long while before, and it was on account of this refusal that I had been content to go to Cuba. Indeed, I had been desperate enough to prefer to leave my body there. Of course the meeting was embarrassing, but my condition did not admit of her thinking of a past situation, and she at once began to busy herself in the matter of making me more comfortable.

When I got better she would sit by me and read to me, and I longed to reopen the matter that had been between us, but the moment I ventured the slightest reference to anything leading up to it she drew down her features forbiddingly, and I was forced to desist. One day she told me that she had met a friend of mine, a Mr. Nolan. I did not speak enthusiastically of Nolan, and she was curious to know the reason. Men do not like to give each other away to women. I certainly did not wish to tell her that Nolan owed me a trifle of $10, as she would attribute my opinion of him solely to that if I did, so I said

"Oh, he writes an execrable hand. He wrote me a letter once, in which he said, 'That which is crooked I will make straight,' then signed his name in such a crooked fashion that if I hadn't known his motive in writing I might have supposed his note to be from some one else."

She made no comment on this, but went away, and I didn't see her till the next day. Then I asked her to write a letter for me. When she handed me the letter to read over I sprang up in bed.

"By Jove!"

Her handwriting was identical with that of the two letters I had received supposedly from Nolan. Then I remembered that we had lived since our acquaintance in the same town and I had never seen her handwriting.

"How do you sign letters to your friends?" I asked.

"Emmaline."

"Write it."

She wrote "Emmaline," and it was the identical fly track I had seen twice before.

Of course there was an explanation. Intending to reverse her decision, she had written me to come to her, but when she got my note she vowed she would never speak to me again. It even made her angry when she knew that it was intended for Nolan, and I had a lot of trouble to convince her that it wasn't.

It's all right now. We've been married five years. My wife writes a worse hand and her signature is no more intelligible than ever. She is now Mrs. Nye, and the replies to letters she writes come to Mrs. Bye, Hie, Lie and often Cry. If I wish to make her mad I call her Nolan.

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CONVICT No. 3420

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We had read about the crime when it appeared at the principal city of our residence of ten years. The daily papers had said that his name was Sellers and his age about forty. He had taken rooms at a fashionable boarding house on a certain street in Chicago and let it be known that he was a broker. On each side of the boarding house were private dwellings, and farther down the street, but to be reached over the roofs, was a large art store

The first thing to happen after the arrival of Mr. Sellers but with which his name was not at all connected was the robbery of the art store. Other robberies followed. While the detectives were after the burglar the daily papers were after the detectives, and things were being made hot all around when the rooms of eleven guests in the boarding house at which Mr. Sellers stopped were robbed on the same night.

The house was filled with detectives, and everybody was examined and cross examined, but it was no use. The rooms had been entered and despoiled while the guests were sleeping.

They were waiting in fear and trembling for the next outbreak when a stupid headed servant girl in the boarding house solved the puzzle. From one of the side houses had been taken an unset catseye stone. This was found under Mr. Sellers' bedroom morning when the girl swept the room.

Mr. Sellers was asked to explain. As he couldn't explain, he was traced to another room half a mile away and all the plunder found. He simply laughed when put under arrest. He laughed when put on trial. He had been caught so dead to rights that he smilingly pleaded guilty and took his ten year sentence without moving a muscle.

The police were on to Mr. Sellers for one of the sleekest chaps in the business, and they would have given a great deal to trace his past and have him answer certain questions. He was mum on all points, however. They could not trace him back a month, and, as to how he entered the houses and rooms and left no trace behind, that was one of his professional secrets.

When Mr. Sellers reached prison the first glance at him caused everybody to wonder where they had seen him before. Face, form pose and gait all reminded us of somebody, but who that somebody was we could not recall. Had he not been passed along to the barber and from thence into stripes so soon some of us might have been the wiser. He was quiet and respectful, and it was figured that he would make a model prisoner.

After three days he was put at work in the shoe department, and all reports coming in about him were favorable. At the end of six weeks he had a chill and was sent to his cell, and the doctor gave him some medicine. Up to this time the man had not asked for a book from the library nor to see the chaplain. Many prisoners who had no religious feelings will ask for the chaplain now and then in order to have a talk and hear a human voice. On this day that he was taken ill Mr. Sellers asked that the good man be sent to him, and I carried the message. I also noted that the chaplain remained with convict No. 3420 for a full hour, and when he left the cell and came down the corridor his perturbation did not fail to attract my attention. He was very pale and had been weeping.

Prison chaplains listen to many sad tales, and now and then their sympathies are aroused, but in the three years I had known our Mr. Davis I had never seen him so greatly affected. He stopped as if he would speak to me, but his tears fell afresh, his lips trembled, and he finally passed on without a word.

Mr. Sellers took more medicine next day and was excused from work. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the chaplain visited him without being sent for and remained for two hours. I heard him praying long and fervently. When he left he was pale and had an anxious look, and yet there was also a look of resolve in his face. There is so much hypocrisy among convicts in the matter of religion that my curiosity in this case was not very great. The greater the rogue the harder he will try to bamboozle the chaplain into believing that he wants to walk in new paths. It was a question with me whether Mr. Sellers had seen the error of his ways or was only shirking his work.

The next forenoon at 11 o'clock the chaplain paid his third visit, and as the bell rang for the convicts to march in to dinner he came forth from the cell and passed me, and the guard at the end of the corridor opened the gate for him. Other guards did the same thing, and in five minutes he was clear of the prison. It was two hours later when the doctor came in. I accompanied him to Sellers' cell, and there we found the convict undressed and in bed and weeping. No it was not the convict. It was the chaplain, though but for his long hair I should have been longer deceived. The doctor spotted him almost at once. The convict's striped suit was lying on the floor.

"You have changed clothes with No. 3420 and let him walk out!" exclaimed the doctor.

"Yes," was the tearful reply.

"But why, man, why?"

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An Angel In Disguise

By Virginia Leila Wentz

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At Twenty-third street Kennard turned dismally from Broadway into Fifth avenue. Saturday afternoon and nothing to do! Thanks to that confounded cotton broker, who couldn't be seen till Monday, he was obliged to remain in town over Sunday. Well, he might as well walk up to his hotel—a constitutional of thirty odd blocks would do him good.

It was the first week in May, and in local swelldom wooden boardings were already beginning to go up and hideous green shades were appearing down the entire length of drawing room windows. Outside the florists' shops tissue papered pots of blossoms still remained, savoring of Easter and April, but the doors stood open revealing a rich vista of bloom against backgrounds of palms. Once Kennard noticed some fashionably frocked women standing within, choosing the last of the season's violets.

"Bah!" he said, deliberately turning his head away and looking at the spires of St. Patrick's cathedral instead. "Why do women all love those foolish flowers?"

Now, once there was a girl, a neighbor of his, down on an old Mississippi plantation, whose eyes in certain lights matched the velvety heart of violets, and often enough down by the bawling little brook where the colony of violets grew he had told her so. But always it had been her way to shake her head with a tantalizing little smile and say:

"That's because you write books and are inclined to be poetic!"

Pretty much the same answer she had given, too, that night when the mocking birds were singing in the moonlight and he had laid his love—

"Hello, you!" cried some one in the brightest of voices, suddenly coming abreast of Kennard. "Well, if this isn't luck! Instead of catching the 1 o'clock train today, as usual, I ran uptown on an errand for my wife"—

"Oh, so you have, haven't you?" drawled Kennard, with apparent irrelevancy. "Let's see, sent you a wedding gift from London, didn't I, old man?"

"A beauty, too!" ejaculated Dan Archer. "My wife wrote and thanked

A GIRLISH FIGURE WAS LEANING OVER THE RAILING.

you. I'm sure. But you've never seen her, and you must. Though she isn't very well at present; nervous, lonely and that sort o' thing, you know; has to have a companion. Look here, why not come out with me tonight and spend Sunday? It'll cheer her up, and Sunday's a beastly day in town, you know."

Kennard's protests that it was too short notice for Mrs. Archer, etc., were not accepted, and at 5 o'clock, having spent an hour or so at Archer's club and sent a telegram as precursor, the two men took a train from Jersey City and flew speedily over the country toward a particular little suburban town. A slight drizzle had set in, and the landscape wasn't especially cheerful.

A suburban town on a rainy Sunday! Good heavens, what had he put himself in for? Behind his paper Kennard yawned, recalling gloomily a multitude of jokes at the expense of Sunday suburbanites. Besides, dear old Dan was a Benedict now. Already he fancied he saw the change, and they wouldn't have much opportunity to pal together.

"Pshaw," he broke out mentally, dropping his paper and looking out at the whizzing telegraph poles, "another good man spoiled! Why do men want to marry, anyhow?" (Gradually, since that night down on the old Mississippi plantation, when the mocking birds were singing in the moonlight, Kennard had grown to disparage matrimonial blessings and had ceased to write epithalamium verses).

He found Mrs. Archer a gay, vivacious little creature, pretty with the prettiness of a Dresden shepherdess; but, as Dan had intimated, inclined to "nerves" and dependence. They dined alone that night, the three of them. Her companion, it appeared, was suffering from something very unusual for her, a violent headache, and had kept to her room.

"We don't breakfast till 9 on Sundays," announced Dan as they finished their last game, "so you can lie abed as late as you've a mind to, old man. For a commuter it's a relief, I can tell you, from our ordinary 7 o'clock rushed affairs."

The next morning, however, Kennard was up betimes. The rain of the night before had vanished, save for the last light shimmer of silver on the grass and under the almond bushes adroop with their slender pink branches. And such a morning—all scintillating with olive green and gold sunshine!

Kennard stole on tiptoe from his close apartment, which seemed to breed all the fever driven extravagances of an overexcited world into the freshness of the May air. The garden, like the house, was obsequiously awaiting a signal to wake. The flowers seemed still motionless, holding in their perfume that a breath might not disturb the sleepers whom the resplendent rising sun itself could not attract. But beyond the garden, through a hedge of trees where the honeyed trickle of song came from the throats of wild birds, a path led to wide awake fields and meadows.

Fowls were crowing, cackling, gobbling, gabbling, in matutinal exuberance; calves were bounding outside the milking pen, hungrily bleating at the sight of the usurpation of their rights within; in the pastures the sheep were grazing industriously.

To Kennard as he walked along there seemed to be a vague, expectant quality in the morning. As if, he said to himself, the very freshness and grace of it all were preparing the way for something splendidly alive and debonair!

His path suddenly merged into a little bypath, largely screened by thickets. At the end was a dilapidated summer house, fastened between three trees on a bank overhanging a gurgling stream. A girlish figure was leaning over the rickety railing, apparently looking at the pebbly, variegated mosaic of the stream's bottom. She had thrown off her hat, and her chin was resting in the cup of her two hands. He could see nothing of her profile because of the mass of dark hair coiled over the back of her head.

Not wishing to intrude or disturb the girl's evident reverie, Kennard would have retreated, but at that instant, hearing a twig snap under his feet, she turned.

She felt his immediate recognition and calmly faced him.

"I reckon you are a bit surprised," she admitted quietly. "Well, it's the simplest sort of a story. The old estate down there yielded nothing, and for three years now I've been earning my own living. At present I am Mrs. Archer's companion."

"For three years, Gwendolen?"

"Yes. You've been in England most of that time, haven't you? And you've written several mighty successful books. Oh, I haven't lost complete track of my old friends, you see." There was still that inimitable flash of raillery in the beautiful eyes, Kennard noticed. And still that dear, blessed little smile.

As Gwendolen's glance met the quick flame that spread across the man's opaque pupils all the playfulness went out of her own, and the spirit of thrust and parry went out of her soul. Another spirit, guarded against, often crushed out, leaped in again.

"You—you are still the same old Bob, aren't you?" said she, with adorable incoherence. But Kennard was very grave. He was looking now where the girl had been looking before—at the mosaic bottom of the clear water.

"Yesterday, Gwendolen," he said, "I saw some women buying violets. Ever since I've been haunted by the eyes of a girl I once knew, a girl whom I've tried, oh, so vainly, to forget. Do you remember, dear"—

She made a little impulsive, forward movement, as if to stop his words. He, seeing it, held out both his hands.

And then they—well, all at once she knew that the question he had put to her down in Mississippi when the mocking birds were singing hadn't been a mere poetic sentiment any more than his thought of her eyes had been, and he, for his part, illuminatingly realized that the answer she had given him that moonlight night hadn't been an ultimatum.

The morning air was giving Gwendolen Moore the repose and refreshment denied by a sleepless night, but withal she looked pale and a little tired.

"We'll have to change all that sort of thing, sweetheart," Kennard was saying an hour later as they sauntered happily toward the house. "And you were not at dinner last night—you were ill. Was that"—

"Your telegram, sir," she broke in with mock severity, while the dimples went rioting. "Look, there are Mr. and Mrs. Archer coming down the garden to meet us."

"Why, Mr. Kennard, you know Miss Moore?" cried Mrs. Archer foolishly.

"Well, rather. And, Dan," cried Kennard, turning boyishly upon that astounded individual, "you were a brick to bring me out here to spend Sunday. You were an angel in disguise—that's what you were."

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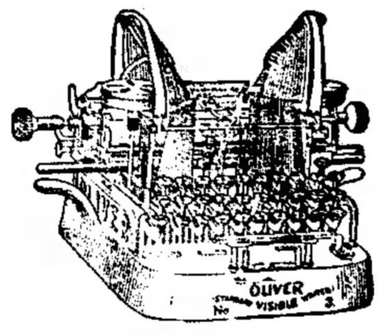

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The nails cause the poles to rot and make them more difficult to paint and keep presentable hence the request that council act At the next meeting the matter will be brought up for discussion and it will likely result in an ordinance prohibiting it.

WEBSTER NOTES.

Robart McMahon, the grocer, returned today from a business trip to Beaver.

A party made up of young people from town attended the dance at Eldora park last evening.

Miss Martha Jenkins of Elizabeth is visiting at the house of Mr and Mrs R McMahon.

Dr. and Mrs. M Meredith, of Monongahela were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMahon the first of the week.

Today William Fitch, local manager for S. Barnum & Co., will award the contract for putting a tin roof on one of that company's houses.

George Gillingham one of our prominent residents has moved his family to Donora where he has accepted a position. O N. Lynch will move into the house vacated.

John Denning left this morning for McKeesport from where over the B. & O. he will go to Harmony. An excursion is being run by the K. of P.'s, the event being the dedication of a Phythian Home [At the corner of Railroad and Mechanic streets a mud hole has stood all summer the result of waste water being turned into the street by several residents. The place is not only extremely unsanitary but is also very unsightly. This act is no doubt one of thoughtlessness but with very little trouble a different disposition could be made of the water and a veritable thorn in the flesh removed from nearby residents.

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Origin of the Strike Fund.

The earliest mention of a strike fund occurred in the strike of the Parisian stocking weavers in 1724, when a crown a day was subscribed for every striker and all blacklegs were mercilessly boycotted. But the biggest strike under the "ancient regime" was that of the silk factory hands at Lyons in 1744, when 12,000 men went on strike and so alarmed the mayor that he conceded everything they asked and wrote to his brother that he had "la tete cassee par cette vile canaille." The "vile canaille," however, had had their moment, and it was no longer theirs Two months later the king sent down 20,000 soldiers "pour remettre l'ordre dans la bonneville de Lyon," and we hear no more of strikes till the supreme strike of 1789.

A Snail's Sense of Smell.

Professor E. Yung of Geneva discovered that the keen sense of smell attributed to the ordinary snail is distributed over the entire body not covered by the shell, the two pairs of tentacles, the lips and the edges of the foot being particularly sensitive. In the experiments made a brush dipped in various odorous substances in turn was brought near the different parts of the body, and responses were noted at distances of one twenty fifth of an inch to several inches. Only in exceptional cases was odor perceived as much as fifteen or twenty inches away, showing that smell cannot guide these creatures to food far removed.

ONE MAN'S IDOL

(Original)

Many years ago in Madrid there lived a grandee, Don Roderigo de Sandoval His house was on a little square, or rather court, in the center of which was a fountain with a cup where any one might quench his thirst. Don Roderigo had married a girl very much younger than himself and set her up on a pedestal as his mother had placed a crucifix on her dressing table, to worship. Signora de Sandoval while she at first found it pleasant to be thus adored, especially since adoration brought with it every comfort, soon found it tiresome. Her husband devoted but a brief time to her every day, the rest being given to affairs of state, he being one of the king's cabinet. The rest of the time the young wife spent alone, and it did not occur to the husband that the time would hang heavy on her hands or that she would crave society, especially of the opposite sex Did she not have servants at her beck and call, the finest apparel to wear, the most savory dishes upon her table? What more could any woman need?

One night when Don Roderigo was returning from the palace where he had been in conference with the king, just before entering the court in which he lived he stopped short and fastened his eyes on a scene before him. A young man stood at the fountain holding the cup in his hand and looking up at the balcony projecting from the second floor of Don Roderigo's house Just within a window opening on to the balcony fluttered a handkerchief, while the young man was making signs with the cup His back was toward De Sandoval, so that he could not be recognized.

The husband watched this pantomime in a sort of stupor He could not have been more thunderstruck had he seen an angel from heaven alight on the fountain and pour mud upon the waters. That the being he had worshiped could thus dishonor him filled him with agony While he looked he saw a fan waved frantically from within the window and the man drinking at the fountain dropped the cup and walked rapidly away Don Roderigo, awakening from his stupor, followed, but the stranger had only a short distance to go to turn a corner, and by the time Sandoval reached it the man he sought was nowhere to be seen

Don Roderigo went to his house, kissed his wife (she noticed that his lips were cold as ice), and went to bed. He did not accuse her nor ask the name of the young man who had been making signs at her window. From that time his manner toward her was changed, though no one except herself noticed it She was allowed the same privileges, enjoyed the same comforts, but somehow she felt that she lived in the shadow of death.

A few weeks after the episode that had such a marked effect upon Roderigo he was coming home late at night when he saw a man drinking at the fountain Advancing, he knocked the cup from the stranger's hand. The man turned, hot at the insult, and seeing one worthy of his steel drew his rapier and attacked the insulter. Sandoval drew and defended himself, casting from time to time an eye on his wife's window All was dark there, and in time he called a halt in the fight, apologized for the insult, refilled the cup and offered it to the stranger. The latter, puzzled, drank and went away.

After that on numerous occasions always at the dead of night some stranger stopping to quench his thirst at the fountain would report in the morning that the cup had been knocked from his hand and, sometimes after a fight, the insulter had apologized and proffered a full cup The police seemed singularly apathetic about the matter, not even taking pains to watch the fountain Thus it became the belief that the person who gave these insults was high in favor of the government.

One night a man entered the square and, seeing another at the fountain, withdrew under the shadow of a flight of steps While the man at the fountain was drinking a third figure approached and knocked the cup out of the drinker's hand

"What means this insult?" asked the man attacked.

At that moment a glimmer of white appeared on the balcony of Don Roderigo's house Roderigo saw it in an instant.

"It means that I have at last found the man I have been so long looking for," said Roderigo.

His rapier flashed, but before the man for whom it was intended had turned to draw his own weapon a third man shot from a shadow and stood, sword in hand, between the two

"You are mistaken, signor," he said, "I am the man you have been looking for. I was a lover of your wife's before you married her Thrice I have passed a few words, or rather signals, with her from this fountain, but I have never been nearer She is pure as marble. Go and continue the worship which till you found me here you bestowed upon her, for she is worthy of it."

The reply to this was a lunge on the part of Don Roderigo and a shriek from the balcony. The stranger caught the blade on his own steel and replied in kind. In a few minutes Don Roderigo de Sandoval lay stretched upon the pavement.

"You made an idol of your wife," said the stranger, sheathing his rapier "I have made a widow of her."

A year later Signora de Sandoval married the man who made her a widow and became one of the most attractive of all the dames of the capital From being worshiped by one man she was worshiped by a whole city. BLANCHE J. CARNES.

HOW FAME COMES.

Men Who Become Great Through Accident or Chance.

According to [illegible] important part in the making of great men [illegible] Goget had never been challenged by his wife to write as good a story as the novel he had been reading he might never have been one of the great novelists.

If Napoleon had persisted in his attempts to be a writer of essays after he left the military academy the world would not have known this great general

If Shakespeare had not failed as a wool merchant and turned actor and then becoming disgusted with himself as an indifferent player, applied himself to writing there would never have been this great dramatist, and no doubt the plays of today would have been inferior to what they are.

Cowley became a poet purely through chance When only a boy he found in his mother's attic a copy of Spenser's "Faerie Queene" and, becoming enchanted by the rhyme, determined to write poetry for himself

Gibbon tells that it was while he was at Rome among the ruins of the capitol that he was first moved to write the history of the rise and fall of that great empire Probably had he not taken a walk on that certain sunny day he would never have conceived the work that afterward made him famous

Corneille, the French poet, was in the habit of making verses for his friends Being flattered by their criticisms he gave up his profession as a lawyer and turned writer.

Franklin discovered electricity by accident and Moliere was turned to writing comedy from the tapestry trade, by a reprimand from his father for leading a dissipated life

Newton discovered the force of gravitation through a mere chance. When a student at Cambridge he went one day to the country Being weary with his rambles he sat down beneath an apple tree and while he was musing there was rudely aroused by a severe blow from an apple which, falling from the branches, struck him on the head He was surprised at the force of the blow from so small an object and this led him to deduce the principle of gravity

Flamsteed became an eminent astronomer through chance Because of ill health he was taken from school and, wishing to have some books to read while in confinement, he borrowed a book on astronomy He was so much interested in this volume that he procured others and at length adopted the study as a profession

Pennant, the authority on natural history, received his propensity in that direction through a chance perusal of a book on birds which he found on a table in the house of a friend, and Sir Joshua Reynolds was first moved to his profession of painting portraits by casually reading Richardson's treatise —Sunday Magazine

Youth and Pleasure.

Youth is not the age of pleasure We then expect too much, and we are, therefore, exposed to daily disappointments and mortifications When we are a little older and have brought down our wishes to our experience, then we become calm and begin to enjoy ourselves Lord Liverpool.

Fortune.

Fortune is like the market, where many times if you can stay a little the price will fall and again it is sometimes like a sibyl's offer, which at first offereth the commodity at full then consumeth part and part and still holdeth up the price Bacon

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Previshness.

Previshness may be considered the cooker of hot fat destroys its vigor and checks its improvement that creeps on with hourly depredations and taints and vitiates what it cannot consume Johnson

Probably.

Probably Cleopatra would be a bride to her last husband if she should continue matrimonial companionship with him Most women behave to save their jam for visitors when they have been married three months

Nervous Dyspepsia.

Nervous dyspepsia which grows often out of another, ribbed and frisky as a [illegible] Spur which turns the point of [illegible] There [illegible] hooks There is [illegible] which is an exact perfect imitation of the sea urchin Still another resembles a porcupine There is another covered with long red hair which is nicknamed the "red headed cactus"

More of Him.

Miss Mugley The idea of his calling me homely I may not be very pretty, but I am certainly not as homely as he is Miss Peri No dear but that's simply because there's bigger than you.—Philadelphia Ledger

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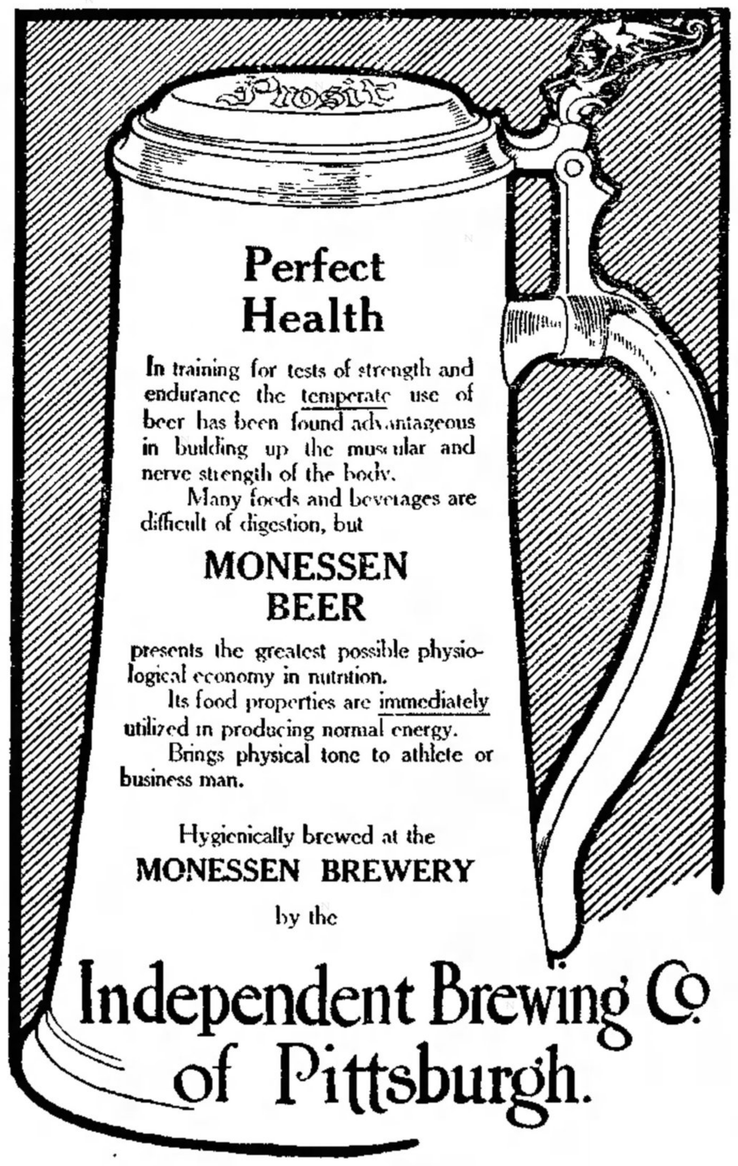

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